



## Edward William Pillstrom

October 5, 1941 - January 8, 2011

Edward William Pillstrom, age 69, died December 11th in Fort Smith. He attended Christian Cowboy Church. He was a veteran of the US Navy where he served as hospital corpsman and pharmacy technician. After his discharge from the military, he was employed at Porterville Hospital in California as psychiatric technician and nurse, and then returned to Arkansas where he received his LVN Nursing degree. He later retired from Sonoma Acres in Sonoma, CA. He was born October 5, 1941 in Altus to Dr. W. E. Pillstrom and Mary Newton Pillstrom, and graduated at Altus High School in 1959. He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Newton Pillstrom and Dr. Lawrence Pillstrom. Edward was an avid outdoorsman, including serving as a bear guide, outfitter trail cook, and was an expert canoeist and instructor. He served as umpire in ASA softball, and college baseball. He was a successful entrepreneur and business owner. He is survived by his wife Melinda Buckner Pillstrom of Branch; two sons, Lance Pillstrom of Tulsa, and Dwight Pillstrom and his wife Libby of Charleston; a daughter, Dana Armitage and her husband Johnny of Sonoma, CA; three sisters, Dee Shaffer and Mary Ann Young of Ozark, and Sally Jones of Branch; three grandchildren, Brady and Brett Armitage and Warren Pillstrom; and several nieces and nephews. Serving as honorary pallbearers are Terry and Tommy Masingale, Billy Fayne Shirley, Sam Baker, Joe Arbaugh, Brett and Brady Armitage, and Warren Pillstrom.

# Tribute Wall



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